# BEFORE THE STATE ELECTION BOARD STATE OF GEORGIA

IN THE MATTER OF:

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**HELEN WATERS** \* Case No. 2007-000046

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Respondent.

### **CONSENT ORDER**

The State Election Board and the Respondent, Helen Waters, Clerk for the City of Braswell, in lieu of further administrative or legal proceedings, hereby enter into the following stipulations and settlement agreement for the purpose of resolving this matter with the entry of this Consent Order.

# STIPULATED FACTS

1.

On November 6, 2007, the City of Braswell held a municipal election. Two electors were turned away from the polls because their names did not appear on the elector's list. The electors were not allowed to cast provisional ballots. The electors resided at an address within the Braswell city limits and were eligible to vote in the municipal election.

2.

Prior to the November 6, 2007 election, Respondent Waters failed to provide a map detailing the municipal boundaries to the Polk County Chief Registrar so that municipal polling places could be accurately assigned to electors.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

3.

Respondent Waters acknowledges that she violated O.C.G.A. § 21-2-226 (c) when she failed to provide the Polk County Registrar's Office with a detailed map showing the municipal boundaries of the City of Braswell.

#### ORDER

The Georgia State Election Board, having considered the particular facts and circumstances of this case, inclusive of the within and forgoing "Stipulated Facts" and "Conclusions of Law," hereby **ORDERS**, and Respondent Waters hereby agrees, to cease and desist from violating O.C.G.A. § 21-2-226 (c). Respondent Waters also agrees to complete all required training for her position. By this order, Respondent Waters is hereby reprimanded for her conduct.

This Consent Order, inclusive of its Stipulations and Order, shall not become effective unless and until approved by the Georgia State Election Board. If not agreed to, approved by, and executed on behalf of, the Georgia State Election Board, neither stipulation nor any other part of this agreement shall have any binding legal effect whatsoever and shall not constitute an admission against interest or prejudice the ability of either the Board or Respondent to adjudicate this matter.

(signatures on following page)

SO ORDERED this 30th day of Jule, 2008.

KAREN HANDEL
State Election Board

CONSENTED TO BY:

Helen Waters

Clerk for the City of Braswell

Sworn to and subscribed before me this day of June, 2008.

Notary Public

My Commissions Expires \_\_\_\_\_

Notary Public, Floyd County, Georgia My Commission Expires January 15, 2012